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PEOPLE v. BUTLER (RAYMOND OSCAR)

S055501 (Los Angeles County Superior Court – NA019605) Argued in San Francisco 5-05-09

The matter is an automatic appeal from a judgment of death.

SAN LEANDRO TEACHERS ASSOCIATION et al. v. GOVERNING BOARD OF THE SAN LEANDRO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT et al.

S156961 (A114679 & A115686; Alameda County Superior Court – RG05235795) Argued in San Francisco 5-05-09

This case presents the following issues: (1) Does Education Code section 7054 permit a school district to prohibit the teachers union from using the school's mailboxes to distribute a union newsletter to its members, if the newsletter includes endorsements for school board candidates? (2) Does the guarantee of liberty of speech in California Constitution, article I, section 2, assure that an employee organization may distribute its message to its members concerning electoral politics via school mailboxes?

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